## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed in view of the Office Action dated 13 July 2004. Responsive to the Office Action, Claims 3-4 and 8 - 9 are now cancelled from this case, and Claims 1, 5, 7, and 10 are amended for further prosecution with the other pending Claims. Such cancellation and amendment of Claims are made purely in the interest of expediting prosecution in this case, and without addressing the merits of the substantive rejections set forth in the Office Action.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1 – 2 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by the Harris reference. The Examiner additionally rejected Claims 1, 6, 7, and 9 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by the Tam reference. As for Claims 3, 5, 8, and 10, the Examiner merely objected to them as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated that the Claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base and any intervening claims.

Given such indication of allowable subject matter, Claim 1 is now amended to incorporate therein the recitations of Claim 3, and Claim 3 itself is cancelled from this case, along with Claims 4 and 8-9. The dependency of Claim 5 is amended such that it depends directly from Claim 1. Also, several punctuational, idiomatic, and other informalities are corrected by amendment in certain of the

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claims. Again, such amendments and cancellations of claims are made in the interests of expediting prosecution of this case, in light of the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. They are made, moreover, without addressing the merits of the Examiner's 35 U.S.C. § 102 rejections set forth in the Office Action.

It is now believed that the pending claims are each now in allowable form.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the subject Patent Application has been placed fully in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

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